



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration  
National Marine Fisheries Service  
Northwest Region  
7600 Sand Point Way N.E., Building. 1  
Seattle, WA 98115-0070

DATE: August 1, 2006

MEMORANDUM FOR: DISTRIBUTION

FROM: Frank Lockhart  
Assistant Regional Administrator

SUBJECT: END OF PRIMARY SEASON FOR SHORE-BASED WHITING

The best available information on August 1, 2006 indicates that 91,314 mt of whiting had been taken through July 31, 2006 and that the 97,469 mt shore-based allocation will be reached by August 2, 2006. Therefore, the following action is taken in accordance with the regulations at 50 CFR 660.323(b)(3):

Effective **1800 l.t. August 2, 2006** no more than 10,000-lb (4,536 kg) of whiting may be taken and retained, possessed or landed by any vessel participating in the shore-based sector of the whiting fishery, unless otherwise announced in the Federal Register. If a vessel fishes shoreward of the 100 fm (183 m) contour in the Eureka area (43° - 40°30' N. lat.) at any time during a fishing trip, the 10,000-lb (4,536 kg) trip limit applies. **Offloading must begin before the time the fishery closes.**

This communication serves as official notice.

\* \* \*

